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THE report of a ripe revolution in Barcelona foreshadows an early lancing by Spanish bayonets.

SCHEMES for the preservation of the public health invariably lead to a soft berth on the city pay roll.

THE death of Senator Beck leaves the way open for Mr. Carlisle to reach the goal of his ambition in the United States

TOM MOONLIGHT, late of Kentucky and Wyoming, and now of Kansas, is willing to lead the democratic forlorn hope in that state. His ambition should be encouraged by republicans.

THE battle of Fremont business men against the odious occupation tax is a sample of what is in store for the merchants of South Omaha unless they organize and rout at the polls the wreckers of the city's prosperity.

Ir has recently been discovered that the Omaha fair association is an agricultural institution. The discovery,

Some of the alleged city inspectors could be profitably employed in watching the work of the street sweeping contract tors. The vast amount of money paid out for this work demands a system of inspection before monthly bills are allowed.

VEST's committee has made a new discovery, viz.: that four companies practically control the meat trade of the country. It takes the average senatorial committee six months to find out what a newspaper reporter would get onto in six minutes.

CONGRESSMAN DORSEY is on his way to Nebraska to examine the condition of his fences in the Third district. According to Captain Richards there are several posts loose up in the Elkhorn valley and Dorsey's crate of barb wire will scarcely be sufficient to keep out the political stock that is roaming about his preserve.

THE wolves in sheep's clothing who are bleating like bellwethers fresh from the grange, expect to convene themselves at the state capital the day after the republican anti-monopolists are to hold their conference. The manifest object of these bogus grangers is to create a diversion and discredit, if possible, the work of the conference. But these cappers have been too well known in the oil rooms to deceive anybody by turning up as representative farmers with hayseed in their hair.

THE Burlington is evidently jealous of the success of the Union Pacific in placing the Rock Island's head in chancery and is laying a trap to pinion its arms and limbs hereabouts. The Burlington fears a shorter line from Omaha to Lincoln and is ready to make a temporary sacrifice to prevent its construction With the Union Pacific tightly grasping the Rock Island's neck and the Burlington holding the body, what a delightfully useless position the company would be in. There are no live flies on the Burlington's spider web. Will the Rock Island fly please walk into the parlor?

SHOULD a democrat be elected to the vacancy created by the death of Samuel J. Randall, it is almost certain that his career in congress will be limited to one term. The famous Third district which Randall represented is located in the heart of Philadelphia, a city which invariably rolls up handsome republican majorities. The district was apparently carved out for the special benefit of the ate congressman, and while the remaining four districts of the city are republican, the extreme protection sentiment prevented any change in the boundaries of the Third which might imperil the continuance in congress of a protection democrat. The demise of Randall removes this all-powerful influence and when the next Pennsylvania legislature redistricts the state Philadelphia will be made solid for the republicans.

AN AMBITIOUS HUMBUG.

Barnum, that prince of humbugs, once exclaimed: "You may kick me and damn me all you please, so you keep my name before the people." An acrobatic editor in these parts is trying very hard to excel the noted showman as a humbug. He is willing to

be called a knave, a fraud, an imposter or an idiot, if he can only attract attention enough to be noticed. Last week he posed in the ridiculous role of political match-maker between the democracy and Farmers' alliance,

and he prides himself that some papers pronounced him a blank fool and others a commodious ass. Here is a man who cannot be insulted.

His insane ambition for notoriety almost surpasses that of George Francis

And now this clown in an editor's chair is trying to center attention upon himself by trying to play ringmaster. He solemnly and seriously orders Governor Thayer to convene the legislature at once and direct it to railroad a maximum freight rate bill through at a cannon ball speed. Although the constitution of Nebraska requires every bill to be read on three separate days in each of the two houses, this extraordinary session is to be limited to four days, and six thousand dollars is computed to be ample to pay for the entertainment. This would be business as well as pleasure for the defunct legislature and a small army of clerks and hangers on.

And what would that boodle legisla ture do if it should convene? If it could not pass a single railroad regulation bill in a sixty days session would it pass a maximum rate bill in four days? And what kind of a maximum rate would it be? Even Peter Simple would know better than to expect any railroad legislation from that body.

With an imperious dignity that would do credit to the king's fool our Bombastes Furioso rises to the magnitude of his position and addresses this final fanfarade to the governor:

Convene the legislature and pass a bill with an emergency clause. John M. Thayer could not write his signature to a document that would cause more joy. Dare he do it!

This is really comical enough to bring down the circus and make the whole menagerie roar.

Knock off that chip, governor, if you dare! What sublime egotism! What adamantine cheek!

> POLITICAL PREPARATIONS. Advices from Washington indicate

that both the political parties are preparing for the congressional campaigns next fall. A meeting of the executive committee of the national republican committee has been arranged for next Wednesday at the national capital, when it is expected that important action will be taken with reference to the work to be done by the national committee. The indications are that this will not be light or of a merely perfunctory character. The re port is that while the democratic managers have apparently been doing very little, as a matter of fact they have been prosecuting a very active still hunt which it is reasonably apprehended may prove to be not entirely ineffective. At though coming late, is a valuable one, as any rate, it is desirable that the repubit is expected to save the association licans shall with as little delay as possithree thousand dollars in taxes due the | ble enter upon the work of counteract ing the democratic efforts, and when this is done it may be expected be carried on with vigor and aggressiveness. The advantages of the situation are certainly with the republicans, but it is well to recognize the possibility that without active and vigilant work these may in part be lost. Of course a great deal will depend upon the character of the tariff and silver legislation. If these are satisfactory to the intelligent judgment of the coun try there can be no doubt that the republicans will maintain control of the next

house of representatives. Looking beyond the congressional campaigns of this year to the movements having reference to the next presidential contest, the matter of chief interest is the maneuvering of the Cleveland and Hill forces, or rather of their respective leaders. The visit of the ex-president to Washington last week, ostensibly to argue a case in the supreme court, was improved by certain of his admirers with the obvious purpose of political effect. A Washington paper asserts that Mr.

Cleveland went to the national capital to start his boom for 1892, but whether such was the case or not there is no evidence that he was averse to having his friends pay him consideration that might readily bear such construction, and unquestionably he learned with very great satisfaction of the action of the Maryland democrats favorable to him as the next candidate of the party, with Ohio's democratic governor, James E. Campbell, second on the ticket. It is always to be borne in mind that Mr. Cleveland has never allowed an intimation to go out that he does not desire to be again the candidate of his party. but on the contrary his course has been such as to carry the under standing that he regards himself as the rightful leader of the party who is en-

titled to the nomination.

Meanwhile Governor Hill is not idle. though it is not apparent that he is ac complishing or can accomplish anything outside of New York. But he may be able to exercise a control there which, if not effective in securing himself the nomination, which now appears improba ble under any circumstances, might be disastrons to Mr. Cleveland. In a recent speech at Charleston, South Carolina, Mr. Henry Watterson sald that unless the New York delegation in the next democratic national convention shall be unanimous in its choice of a candidate It will not be able to name the man who shall lead the democracy in the next presidential campaign. To this the New York Sun responded that the delegation would be unanimous, and that its choice would be David Bennett Hill. There is no doubt that the Sin sincerely wishes this to be so, but there are abundant reasons for believing it will be disappointed. The conditions may very greatly change within the next two years, but if they continue as at present, it is certain that

New York will have a divided delega-

majority of its members. In that event Mr. Cleveland's chances of election, if he received the nomination, would be no better than they were two years ago.

DEMOCRATIC BAIT REJECTED.

For some time past the democratic managers in Illinois have been scheming to induce the various organizations of farmers in that state to make some sort of an alliance with the democracy. Emissaries of that party have been actively at work among the members of these organizations, making most liberal promises of favors to the agricultural class in return for their votes in placing democrats in office. General Palmer, who has an ambition to go to the United States senate, has been put forward as specially representing the wishes of the farming class, and in every possible way the democratic managers have sought to wheedle the farmers into a consolidation for a common warfare against the republican party of the state. For a time there seemed to be some ground for apprehending that they might be partially successful. There is no longer any fear on this

score. The conference a few days ago at Springfield of representatives of the various farmers' organizations and of the Knights of Labor resulted in a complete rejection of the democratic bait. Resolutions were adopted in favor of consolidating the organizations and declaring that as the members are of all political parties each is expected to work in his own party for the principles and policies which the farmers favor. It was recommended that members of the organizations take an active part in political primaries and conventions, but no independent or third party movement was advised. In a word, these Illinois farmers propose to maintain their own organizations, entirely separated from the political parties, leaving every man to work within the party to which he belongs for the principles which the farmers as a class believe to be necessary to their interests and welfare, and expecting each to vote only for men who are pledged and can be trusted to support those principles.

This is an eminently and proper course, and is worthy of example emulation by the farmers of other states. Independent political action and unnatural party alliances are not the means by which the agricultural producers will obtain a redress of their grievances. Their true and safe policy is to bring all their influence to bear upon the dominant party in each state from within, wherever they are in a position to do this by reason of their larger affiliation with the ruling party, and there are few states in which they cannot do this successfully. As to this the Illinois farmers have taken a sensible position, and one which can be commended to

general imitation. THE LATE SENATOR BECK. Probably no congress since the foundaion of the government had so large a death roll as the present one thus far, with little more than half its term passed. Eight or nine members of the house have gone to the undiscovered country, and now death has invaded the senate, taking thence one of its most distinguished members. James B. Beck, chose prolonged illness terminated sud denly in death on Saturday, had represented Kentucky in the two houses of congress for more than twenty years, and during a great part of that time had been prominent as a party leader and as one of the ablest men in the national legislature. He was a man of strong convictions, to which he adherred with a tenacity peculiar to the Scotch character, and which he never lacked the courage to battle for. A democrat, in thorough sympathy with all the cardinal principles of the party, there were yet occasions in his legislative career when he disapproved measures which had the general support of his party, and his vote has been recorded against such measures. Several years ago his independent course as to some question supposed to be vital to the interests of the democratic party for a time weakened his influence, and his disagreement with the Cleveland admin istration threatened to defeat him for re-election to the senate, but the people of Kentucky, knowing and appreciating his integrity of purpose and his conscientious sense of duty, sustained him in every crisis of his public career and kept him in the position which he honored and in which he reflected honor

WHY not settle the stockholders' differences in a free-for-all scrap in the Coliseum arena? It would prove far more profitable than a chariot race.

upon his state. A strong, sturdy, ele-

vated character was that of James B.

Beck, and it can be said of him that

whatever mistakes of judgment he made

and whatever his defects as a statesman,

the record of his public life bears no

blemish of dishonor.

Don't Say Ohio Politics.

New Orleans Pleagu Ohlo is an Indian word signifying "beautiful." The term is not applicable to its poli-

> Self-Appointed Leaders. Hobitein Record.

The few newspapers in this state fighting o control the Farmers' alliance organization are making themselves ridiculous. Do they think the farmers are fools, and have organ ized themselves into alliances to be lead around by the neek.

Too Dead to be Affected.

Chicago Times. Maine informs her sister states that the original-package" decision of the supremourt will not affect her liquor law. Why, of course it will not. From all reports that interesting statute has been a dead letter so long that it is doubtful if the trump of doom will make any impression on its senseless

Prohibition and Liberty.

The decision of the supreme court that the lowa prohibitory liquor law is unconstitu tional in so far as it forbids the importation of liquors from other states and their sale in the original packages places a permanent obstacle of the most serious character in the way of prohibitory legislation. There is reason to believe, too, that upon a fair prosentation of the question the supreme court would find all prohibitory laws unconstitu-

tion, with Hill perhaps controlling a tional because violative of that individual liberty which, aparl from specific provisions of the fundamental law, is imbedded in every fibre of our system of government.

Broad Principles and Borax.

Hoston Globe. Congressman Neidringhaus, a great borax onsumer of St. Louis, who spent \$70,000 for the honor of being elected as a champion of protection, now finds himself taxed \$25,000 a year by the McKinley bill, and is very wroth. Here is a weak patriot willing to barter away 'broad principles" for borax.

> What Have They Gained. Custer Leader.

It is frequently the case that people, in their zeal for temperance and prohibition, hastily accuse those who differ with them of being in league with the devil and owned by the saloon. They refuse to accord to others the same privilege they demand for themselves-the credit of being conscientious in the stand they take on that question. Mrs. Helen M. Gougar is but one of that too large class, and she deemed it her privilege to state from various rostrums that THE OMAHA BEE had been purchased to fight prohibition, without offering any proof to sustain her position. When the editor of THE BEE appeared at one of her meetings to refute her charges she continued exhibition of narrowminded partisan spleen and bigotry by having him arrested for disturbing the meeting. He was tried before a judge of the same calibre of Mrs. Gougar, and fined \$10; but the case was appealed to a higher court, and was last week dismissed because the prosecution had no grounds for their case. The editor of THE BEE was undoubtedly inconvenienced to some extent, but if Mrs. Gougar and her indiscreet friends benefitted their cause any by the action they took, the Leader confesses that it is thick-headed enough not to see it.

The Rack in the Path of Fusion.

Nebraska City News (Dem.) The Pawnee Press endorses the proposed coalition of the democrats and the alliance, and says: "A campaign energetically and wisely fought upon such a plan places within the reach of both organizations triumph in the state and congressional districts, and success in the legislature. One qualification in their platform, will be necessary-the question of prohibition must be ignored." That paper then urges that both sides drop the question of prohibition. That is one of the rocks upon which the coalition would split. For years the democratic party in Nebraska has said that it was opposed to all sumptuary laws, and now that we are brought face with the prohibition amendment the Press would have us turn traitor and show the white feather. If we were honest in our former declarations—and the News is confident that we were-why should we not stand up for our principles now!

In every particular essential which the alliance now demands (except it be in regard to unlimited currency) the democrats have declared for years past and still favor. If the alliance people honestly favor the reforms they demand they can readily unite with the iemocrats. There is no just reason why we should drop or injure our organization simply because a number of our citizens are getting their eyes open to the many wrongs that have been practiced upon them.

The News is in favor of a straight ticket and an honest platform.

GREAT MEN.

Senator Wolcott of Colorado is to be married at an early date to Mrs. Bass, who was formerly a resident of Buffalo. Ex-Secretary Bayard affects the English

style in his cards, his pasteboards simply bearing the words "Mr. Bayard." The friends of James Russell Lowell are alarmed, because he recuperates, so slowly from his recent attack of illness.

Cardinal Newman's birthday presents in-luded a translation of the "Imitation of 'hrist' into ancient Irish, and a valuable Irish manuscript. Abram S. Hewitt has something like \$5,000,-000 invested in the south. He is largely in-terested in various iron furnaces and found-

ries, and is the owner of much real estate As a relaxation from his work on the boards Salvini indulges in a game of pailone, greatly resembling racquet. He has become at it, and has not yet met a man able to defeat him.

Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British minister at Washington, is an expert with the foils and with the short sword. He is considered one of the finest looking diplomats ever stationed at Washington. Clifford D. Ham, son of Editor Ham of

Dubuque, has been appointed private tary to Governor Boies of Iowa. With Ham sandwiched between the Boies and the offices the governor should get along quite comfort-Senator Vest is one of the plainest men, as

regards dress, in congress. Sometimes his appearance has been described as shabby. His favorite garment in winter is a rough gray ulster, worn almost threadbare and sli up the back. Sir John E. Millais is said to have lost a

clear vision of near objects, though he sees those at a distance distinctly enough. As a result he is compelled to use very long handled brushes, which greatly interfere with delicate work in portaiture. Eugene Ward, the poet of Fort Scott, Kan has recently given \$5,000 towards the fund for the establishment of a public library in that city. The gentleman is credited with

congressional aspirations. There is evidently nore business than poetry about him, in poli Murat Halstead writes in his Cincinnat newspaper: "I had often noticed that the Commercial Gazette had a way of being very handsome and lively when I was absent, and did not attribute the phenomenon to my novements, but now I know what was the movements,

matter, and I am not utterly unhappy about t. I am willing to stay away on those terms. Justice Lamar of the supreme court not only nods but actually sleeps while on the bench. A Washington letter-writer says: "Whenever I have looked in at the supreme court between visits to the senate and house there he was, chin dropped among the folds of his robe, eyes shut and arms folded, a pic-ture of judicial somnolence, with dignity not to be beaten even in Westminster or Old Bailey.

THE INDUSTRIAL FIELD.

Buffalo has a working-boy's home. They talk of making bread from wood. Cleveland butchers will manufacture ice. Movable iron houses are made in England Tiffin, O., plasterers work ten hours for

The average day work in Saxony is thir teen hours. Brooklyn plasterers have won eight hours and \$4 a day

Painters in a New York shop are out for

Some Boston clergymen are advocating eight hours. A Dubuque, Ia., judge decided that Sunday shaving was a necessity.

Boston electrotypers by a strike compelled a man to join the union. New Britain (Conn.) painters have been granted nine hours, ten-hour pay. A Brooklyn bricklayer lost a suit to compo he union to take him back to the society. At Pomeroy, Pa., a dozen eggs bring only o cents worth of merchandise in exchange.

At Olton, Switzerland, a convention with 48 delegates, represented 120,000 workmen. In Victoria, B. C., no mason or stonecutter will work on a building where Chinese help The Detroit street railway company has in

vited its employes to join a beneficial assoc ation which the company is forming. In Australia when the carpenters worked ten hours they got 24 shillings a week. Now they get 60 shillings for eight hours. Berlin gold beaters have succeeded in pro

lucing sheets of gold only 1-282,000 of an inch in thickness, yet capable of shutting out the strongest electric light. Herr Rebel, the German socialist, is genuine workingman. He started as an ivory turner, and even now when semething dis

pleases him in the establishment of Feslieb & Robel, at Leipzig, of which he is a partner, he tucks up his sleeves and shows the ignorant or obstinate workman "how it should be

The International Boot and Shoe Workers ty has 107 unions and 22,000 members 2,000 remain in the Knights of Labor The Rochester branch celebrated the anniversary of organisation by a parade and mass meeting. The condition of Philadelphia shoe

STATE JOTTINGS.

Nebraska. It has been decided to hold the Cuming county fair September 24, 25, 26 and 27. It is estimated that 300,000 trees were set out in Hayes county during Arbor week.

There are twenty-four regular trains in and out of Superior every twenty-four hours. The Custer county Sunday school associa-tion will be held at Broken Bow June 10 and 11.

The Presbyterian church at Scotia will be dedicated with appropriate exercises next Sunday.

Four saloon licenses have been granted at David City and there is one application to be

J. M. Fales, formerly a resident of Ashland, was recently elected a member of the Rhode Island legislature. According to a well posted Sarpy county fruit grower, the prospects for fruit were never better than they are this year.

The Central Nebraska teachers' association will hold a meeting at Hastings May 10 at which many prominent instructors will be present. Roy Codding, son of A. B. Codding of York,

sails for Liverpoot next week and will pro-ceed at once to Siberia where he will engage in missionary work. A contract has been made with a Leavenworth, Kan., firm to put in the necessary machinery for a 150 barrel flour mill in the

West Point paper mill and to remove the ma-chinery now in the building. The Farmers' union of Columbus has adopted a resolution complaining of the exorbitant rates of the Union Pacific on live stock from Columbus to South Omaha. The board of trade concurs in the action of the

The first term of the district court ever held in Grant county was in session at Whit-man two days last week, Judge Tiffany presiding. The cases against Perry Yeast and others for cattle stealing were transferred to Deuel county and will come up in December. The Columbus Telegram announces double leaded type that "as long as J. O. Ferris is rector of Grace Episcopal church of this city, not one mention of any meeting, either of the church or any society connected with it will be allowed to appear in the Tele

G. W. Cornell, Nemaha's county attorney, has been charged in the district court at Auburn with unprofessional and scandalous conduct in extorting money from Jacob Shaffer. Judge Appleget has ordered a citation to show cause why Cornell should not be debarred.

Thomas J. Wood of Curtis and Miss Dema Martin of Toledo, Mo., were married at Hold-rege the other day. They met there by ap-pointment, but neither recognized each other and some hours were spent in search before they were brought together. They then called on Judge Rhea, were married and proceeded to their future home at Curtis.

Patrick Jordan and J. M. Hoffman, two Custer county farmers living twelve miles south of Mason City, became involved in a quarrel over the possession of a lister belong-ing to the former, and the latter started in to demolish the machine. Jordan then struck Hoffman over the head with a piece of tubing inflicting a serious wound, the outcome of which is not yet known.

Iowa Items.

A gun club has been organized at Kingsley. Davenport ladies have formed a tricycle Sigourney has voted for an electric light

plant. A female brass band is being organized at anborn. Schaller is to have a system of waterworks

costing \$2,500. A number of farmers near Odebolt have en taken in by a lightning-rod swindler.

The suburbs of Davenport will have a hance to come into the city limits May 30. There are teachers' vacancies in the high schools at Le Mars, Cherokee and Glenwood. The farmers in the southern part of Webster county have organized an anti-horse

The Jesuit fathers who have had charge of St. John's cathedral at Burlington for many years will leave shortly for other fields of abor, and will be succeeded by Benedictine Says the Cedar Rapids Gazette: 10 saloons here now to 40 under low license

particular and citizens in general are disgusted!" The Chicago Kate Shelley fund has reached over \$400. A rug is being made in Chicago which is to be sold for her benefit and \$400 has been bid for it, with a probability of it

reaching \$500. The Southwestern firemen's association will hold its tournament at Coming in Sep-tember, probably during the fair. It is ex-pected that there will be the largest turnout of firemen in the history of the association. On May 1 George D. Perkins completed twenty-one years of service as editer and pro-proprietor of the Sioux City Journal. When he took charge two employes were necessary to run the paper, while now there are 100

men in its service. Mrs. Mortimer Hunt, living near Hull, committed suicide by taking paris green. She was 60 years of age and had been a resi dent of Sioux county for many years. She was in comfortable circumstances and people are at a loss to account for her rash act. A ten-foot bull snake escaped from cage in the horticultural society room in the

state capitol at Des Moines the other day and assumed full control of the building for a short time. It was finally captured by a couple of janitors and returned to its cage. The Two Dakotas. Union county is over \$50,000 in debt. Sioux Falls is to have a conservatory of

Grand Forks is discussing plans for a new ewerage system. A colt with only two legs was foaled near Madison the other day.

M. W. Greene, one of the best known lawyers in the Dakotas, died recently at Fargo. An Elk Point merchant shipped 11,190 dozen of eggs to the eastern markets one day

old its first meeting at Hot Springs the later part of August. There is talk of putting a steamer on the Cheyenne river to ply between Pierre and the

The Black Hills Chautauqua assembly will

new town of Cheyenne. The total receipts from the rental of school lands in North Dakota will reach \$30,000, or about \$2 for each child of school age in the

The Woonsocket city council has resolved to add to the revenue by charging photogra phers \$25 as a license fee for the privilege o aking pictures of the artesian wells. Of the twelve commanderies of Knights Templar in the two states, South Dakota nas eight and North Dakota four. The total membership of the society in both states is

William Weaver, an extensive farmer ne Durbin, recently purchased two buffaloes, a male and a female, which he will endeavor to domesticate, with the intention of crossing he species with thoroughbred polled angu-It is said that the product furnish a hide in many respects superior to that of wild buffaloes, while the carcass sells for a fancy price in the restaurants of the large

The Clark County Republican tells of a cu rious freak that has recently come into the world in that county. About a year ago a cow belonging to a farmer near Raymond was cow belonging to a farmer near Raymond was struck by a locomotive and badly injured, but a short time afterward recovered and gave birth to a calf. The calf is in no way de-formed and has the appearance of being a common, ordinary every-day animal until it becomes excited, when, instead of the soft, bass lowing peculiar to its kind, it utiers a series of sharp toots and a hissing sound re-aembling the exhaust of a high-pressure steam engine. It has been named the "Locomotive engine. It has been named the "Locomotive Calf," and a number of dime museum man agers are after it for a star engagement around the country.

Ask for Van Houten's Cocoa. Take no

FROM THE CAPITAL

A Distinguished Party of Burlington Railroad Officials Visit Lincoln.

A Trip Made to the Site Proposed for the New Machine Shops-Pastors and Pulpits-News About

the City.

THE USUAL RETICENCE EXHIBITED.

LINCOLN, Neb., May 4 .- | Special to THE BEE. ]-President Perkins, First Vice President Peasley, Second Vice President George B. Harris, General Manager Holdrege and Comptroller Ladd of the Burlington came in on a special train composed of three cars last evening, but the object of their visit is only a matter of conjecture. With John R. Clark and two or three other prominent citizens they drove over the city and took in the principal points of interest. It was noticeable, however, that they yisited Harelock, the point suggested for the Burlington machine shops, and the point west of the city suggested for the same purpose.

The party was reticent regarding the union depot. Mr. Holdrege, when questioned, simply remarked that the project would be fairly discussed when properly presented. It is the general impression that this party of dignitaries were here to defeat any scheme

the Rock Island might have to enter the city via Eighth street. The party left today for the west and will visit Denver, Cheyenne, Newcastle, Kansas City and other points before returning to

Thicago. PASTORS AND PULPITS. The district conference of the German M. E. church meets Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock at the corner of Fifteenth and M streets. This conference will continue but

Prof. D. R. Durgan of Drake university, Des Moines, Ia., who is in the city lecturing, occupied the pulpit this morning at Bethany E. Taminosian filled the pulpit this evening

of the Plymouth Congregational church. He gives a Syrian entertainment at the same place tomorrow evening under the auspices of the Young People's Society of Christian En-deavor of the church. Rev. John Newell, rector of the church of the Holy Trinity, addressed the Young Mens' Christian association this afternoon from 4 to

o'clock. His address was interesting and the attendance quite large. Secretary Dummett and wife of the association leave tomorrow for Nashville, Tenn., to represent the Lincoln association at the general secretaries' conference. They will be gone ten days or two weeks.

COAL AT HUBBELL, Prof. L. E. Hicks of the state university, who has just returned from Hubbell, Theyer county, where he went to investigate the coal find at that place, was seen by The Bee man last evening, and on investigation stated that no cer-tain information could be obtained yet as to the value of the deposit, but that he had some reason to believe that a paying seam had been discovered. He stated further that a plunge drill is being used and has reached the depth of sixty feet, about half the distance to the black stones. TEETER'S REPUBLICANISM.

Captain Joe Teeter, who has just returned from Washington, was informed by one of the delegation while there that his republicanism was questioned and that until he set himself aright his preferment for a position in the United States land office in this city could not be considered. His friends in Facragut post of the Grand Army of the Re-public, of which he is a member, express great surprise at this, and it is said will pre-pare a manifesto denouncing the attack or his fealty to his party. It is said here that Captain Teeter has always been an uncompromising republican

SUNDAY SOCIETY LORE. Governor Thayer, who is a general favorite with old soldiers, was present at the last muster service of old soldiers. Official records show that the Ancient Order of United Workmen has a total membership of 233,066, and that of this number Nebraska has 6,864.

Canton Ford lodge No. 2, Independent Order of Oddfellows, is preparing to attend the conclave to be held in Chicago in August for the purpose of competing in the prize drill. This meeting promises to be the event of the summer in the three links' circle. Centennial lodge No. 59, Fremont, claims to be the banner Oddfellows' lodge in the state. It was instituted fourteen years ago with ten charter members. Hon, John Steen was the first noble grand. It now has 250 members.

CITY NEWS AND NOTES. The May term of the district court commences tomorrow morning. Judge Chapman will sit on the law and Judge Field on the

equity side.
The answer to the damage case of John McConnell vs the First National bank et al, has been filed in the district court. Defendants deny the principal allegations.

The will of James Ledwith has been ad mitted to probate. John A Ledwith is the

nominee of the will for the position of exe-cutor. On filing an approved bond for \$5,000 letters testamentary will be issued. The Lancaster County Teachers' association will meet Saturday, May 24, in the office of the county superintendent. An interest-ing programme has been prepared. Arrangements will then be made for the meeting of the county institute.

SOME NEW BOOKS. The Bancroft-Whitney company, law

book publishers of San Francisco, have

issued as the latest of their popular "Practitioners' Series," two volumes on 'The Law of Railways." This work was prepared by Charles Fisk Beach, jr., of the New York bar and author of the Railway and Corporation Law Journal. The author has presented the whole law of railways, giving prominence to live and novel phases of the subject, with an especial study of the interstate act and including a careful reference to the En glish and American statutes and decisions. It is a work sure to prove use ful as it contains just what a lawye needs. The volumes are published in the "Pony pocket form, known as from small but Series," and legible type. The clear volume. In size and price with the volumes on railway law and equally valuable to the lawyer is another volume of this series, by James H. Fink, A. B., L. L., B., of the Boston bar on the "Law of Trusts and Trustees." This volume has been prepared to present the law upon a broad and difficult subject in a clear and concise form. It is not a digest nor a ext-book. but a series of compact state ments of the law substantiated by numer us citations of the American and Engligh decisions thereto. Jerome K. Jerome grows pleasantly

philosophical in "The Idle Thoughts of an Idle Fellow," a batch of musings on every day moods. The volume is the publishing house of Henry Altemus, Philadelphia.

John B. Alden, New York, has issued "Nadeschda," a romantic poem by Johan Ludvig Runeberg, the Swedish Homer, translated by Mrs. John B. Shipley. "In Potiphar's House" is the title of a

book by Rev. J. F. Flint, published by John Alden, New York. It is calculated to provide a guide for young men over the stormy sea that lies just beyond the confines of youth and which all must ross before they can reach the secure haven of marriage.

"A Strange Infatuation" is the title of Lewis Harrison's latest story published in Rand, McNally & Co.'s Righto series. is a pretty story in which love and war are mingled in pleasing proportions. The scenes are divided between the battleffelds of the American rebellion and foreign pleasure resorts.

Charles Scribner's Sons, New York have published "Bright Skies and Dark

present progress and the battle fields of its past, from the pen of Henry M. Fields of D.D.

Imbert de Saint-Amand 's story of the wife of the first consul, translated by Thomas Sergeant Perry, has been issued by the Scribners. It is the story told by an inmate of the household of the con sul, of his greatness and the fall which began with the murder of the Duke of Enghien and the inauguration of the imperial period. Josephine's dread of

the throne is graphically described.

A "Waif of the Plains" by Bret Harte, published by Houghton, Miffin & Co., Boston, is a fascinating, delightsome story of the early youthtime of an old-fashioned, big-headed boy. A curious, concentrated, introspective nature, the outcome of the painful environment of something mysterious in connection with his birth and parentage, shows itself in Clarence Brant at an age when other boys mark the passing of time by the episodes of marbles, kites and sleds. His dogged reticence of speech where he suspects curious enquiry contrasts strangely with his natural in-genuousness and implicit belief in human nature. Honesty of purpose, gentleness in strength and an innate gallantry make him appear a man during his child hood and win for him friends among the carefully nurtured and the rude alike.

The story of his adventures is of un usual interest and told in a highly entertaining manner. The incidents are exciting and the author's descriptive powers, together with his quaint turns of thought and engaging English, attract new admirers with every page, prompting the spoken wish that American boys one and all would but choose such wholesome narrative for their enter tainment.

"Little Saint Elizabeth and Other Stories," by Frances Hodgson Burnett, published by Charles Scribner's Sons, New York, is a quartette of tender little tales well calculated in their fairy like grace to bring the author a remove nearer the hearts of the world. Children five to five-and-twenty will delight in them as will those of maturer years who still have a springtime touch in an odd corner of their hearts and minds. "The Proud Little Grain of Wheat" is & especially delicious, and the introduc-tion of the author's two boys, Lionel and Vivian in the web of it, decidedly adds to its charm.

## IS THE SOUL IMMORTAL?

The Othodox Churchman and Eminent Scientist Thinks Not. Yesterday, at the Finsbury Polytech-

nic, Prof. Sir G. Stokes, M. P., the

president of the Royal society, delivered a lecture on "I," says the London Standard. What is it that personal identity depends upon and contists in? \* \* There was the psychic theory, according to which man consisted of body and soul, the body being a mass of ponderable matter which we saw and touched and felt; the soul being that upon which, taking this theory in its extreme form, thought almost alone depended. Many who held this theory supposed that the soul was innately, by its very nature, immortal. It had been more held by

persons belonging to the religious world. Yet this was a theory which was rather of the nature of a philosophical speculation than of a proposition deduced from scripture. Dr. Westcott, in his "Gospel of the Resurrection," said: "Not unfre quently we substitute for the fulness of the Christian creed the purely philosophic conception of the immortality of the soul, which destroys, as we shall see hereafter, the idea of the continuance of

our distinct personal existence." A bishop whom he himself knew wrote to him that he was in the habit in his parish sermons, before the became a pishop of pointing out that the dogma of the immortality of the soul was rather a philosophic theory than a part of the

Christian doctrine.

Another bishop wrote to him e: ing in a manner which showed that he was perfectly willing to accept this dogma as not belonging to, as not any necessary part of the Christian faith. Another bishop told him that he

avoided in his sermons speaking of the immortality of the soul, because whethe it was true or not he was not satisfied that it was taught by scripture. Prof. Stokes said it appeared that there were indications in scripture of a

sort of energy, if he might term it so, lying deeper down than even the maniestations of life, on which the identity of man and his existence and the continance of his existence depended,

What is a Good Book? A good book is one that tells, in good

English, the story it has to; sees no necessity for using foreign words and does not quote from the Arabic or the Sancrit as if the author had written it with an Encyclopedia Britanica beside him, says the Ladies' Home Journal. A good book is the one that we want when weary of the people of the world;

that we can hand to our daughters that it may give them pleasure, and which will only be a stepping stone on the road of taste, not only to better and nobler books, but a better and nobler life. That is a good book-and, my friends,

that we can read out aloud and discuss:

there are hundreds of them.

An Extraordinary Beard. Philip Hensen, a planter residing near Corinth, Miss., is believed to be the of the longest beard in the world. He is a man of unusual stature. standing nearly six and one-half feet in his stockings; this, notwithstanding, his beard reaches the ground when he is standing erect. A German residing in Chicago a few years ago boasted of his sixty inches of beard, but Hensen goes im several better, having many threads in his beard which measures over seventy inches. This remarkable growth is but fourteen years old.

The Largest Englishman.

Thomas Congley of Dover, England. s said to be the heaviest of her ma-

jesty's many subjects. He is an intelligent and respectable citizen, forty-two

years old, having been born (of parents ot above the normal size) in 1848. a baby he was considered small and not over healthy. His present weight is 40 tone (570 pounds); height, 6 feet ‡ inch. measurement of waist, 80 inches, and of legs, 25.

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